

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 and 5-7 are presented for consideration, with Claims 1 and 7 being independent.

Claims 1 and 7 have been amended to further distinguish Applicants' invention from the cited art. Claim 8 has been cancelled.

Claims 1, 3 and 5-8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by More '852. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 of Applicants' invention relates to a driving method of a display apparatus, and includes a first drawing step of displaying an image on a display panel on the basis of an image signal from first image creation means, and a second drawing step of overwriting a handwritten image on the displayed image on the basis of a signal from second image creation means in which the handwritten image is stored. In the first drawing step, an image is drawn by a reset drive for resetting a previous display image and a writing drive for writing an image, and in the second drawing step, the writing drive of a substantially minimum or a substantially maximum luminance is performed without effecting the reset drive in an area in which the handwritten image is written, while the same writing drive as performed in the first drawing step is performed in an area in which the handwritten image is not written.

Claim 7 relates to a driving method of a display apparatus having a memory characteristic, and includes a first drawing step of displaying an image on a panel on the basis of a signal from first image creation means, and a second drawing step of overwriting a handwritten image on the image displayed on the panel on the basis of a signal from second image creation means where the handwritten image is stored. In the first drawing step, an image is drawn by a

reset drive for resetting a previous display image and a writing drive for writing an image, and in a second drawing step, the writing drive of a minimum or a maximum luminance is performed without effecting the reset drive only in an area in which the handwritten image is written, while no voltage is applied to areas in which the handwritten image is not written.

In accordance with Applicants' claimed invention, a high performance driving method can be provided.

The patent to More relates to a display device that is responsive to hand printed text and hand drawn graphics. The Office Action asserts that More includes a first drawing step and a second drawing step as set forth in Claims 1 and 7. Relying on Figure 3A of More and the specification beginning on column 13, line 65, the Office Action also asserts that the first drawing step includes a reset drive and the second drawing step includes a writing drive as set forth in Applicants' claimed invention.

It is respectfully submitted, however, that More does not teach or suggest, among other features, a second drawing step as now set forth in Claim 1, in which the writing drive of a substantially minimum or a substantially maximum luminance is performed without effecting the reset drive in an area in which the handwritten image is written, while the same writing drive as performed in the first drawing step is performed in areas in which the handwritten image is not written. More is also not read to teach or suggest, among other features, the second drawing step in Claim 7, in which the writing drive of a minimum or a maximum luminance is performed without effecting the reset drive only in an area in which the handwritten image is written, while no voltage is applied to areas in which the handwritten image is not written.

It is respectfully submitted, therefore, that More does not teach or suggest Applicants' invention. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, it is submitted that Applicants' invention as set forth in independent Claims 1 and 7 is patentable over the cited art. In addition, dependent Claims 3, 5 and 6 set forth additional features of Applicants' invention. Independent consideration of the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

Due consideration and prompt passage to issue are respectfully requested.

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